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HEIR DEATHS ARE JOINED IN MYSTERY

Bullet Ended Scout Bennett's Life.

SUICIDE FOLLOWS TRAJIC END OF CLARA SCHNEIDER

Veteran of a Score of Indian Fights Kills Him- and only those used to could withstand the sight. self at Camp McKinley and Is Found a Decomposed Corpse Yesterday.

teamster of the United States noted Indian scout, and for over ing been found in the woman's room The scout's familiar broad-brimmed two years past one of the most striking figures on the streets of Honolulu, was found dead yesterday afternoon in

his room at the camp. A builet hole in his head and a big revolver clasped in his decomposing hand showed how he had driven the spirit from his body, and a letter on his table written in the firm, bold fashion of the man who had foared little in life, told his composure a few moments before he pulled the trigger.

If Bennett had lived a few hours longer he would have been asked by the police of Honolulu to explain his relations with Miss Clara Schneider, who was discovered in a dying condition on last Wednesday at the home of Paul Neumann, and who passed away at 1 o'clock that day without giving utterance to a word.

About the death of the woman and that of Bennett is wrapped a mystery which has been penetrated only far enough to show that the pair were close intimates, and that Bennett chose rather to plunge into the unknown DELEN & PAGE, Architects and than to live on.

What this man who had laughed at death a thousand times was afraid of stimates furnished at short nocan only be guessed.

> Put down in sequence the meagre facts of the story that could be gathered last evening are as follows:

Miss Clara Schneider, a comely woman of thirty-three, died on Wednesday afternoon at the Neumann residence on the C. L. Carter premises at Waikiki near Sans Souci, She was the cook in the household, and when she failed to appear on Wednesday mornof Pumping and Sugar Ma-nd complete power plants; of-12, Spreckels block; Tel, 194. ing and repeated knockings did not bring her to the door of her room, the door was forced and Miss Schneider found on the bed, fully dressed and unconscious. Doctor Walters was called and used every means to bring her to, but failed,

of morphine poisoning, and Chemist from someone not a druggist. It might ment. Shorey took her stomach for examination. Morphine was found in it with drug with something eatable. NEGLECT YOUR EYES; you

Deputy Sheriff Chillingworth made a thorough search of Miss Schneider's in court prosecuting minor offenders them and may thay all be suckcessful. F. P. B. poison had come but without success. He picked up only this note:

I thought you was to come up last night after the others was asleep and I looked for you untill three o'clock in the morning and you don't know how I missed you-went to sleep thinking of

This note was in a man's hand and its reading sent Chillingworth on a hunt for the writer.

the deputy sheriff that the dead wom- lingworth. feman, the historian, had nett, the Oriental servants being very replied the lieutenant.

One might have kno walking along the street.

RANK P. BENNETT, the chief would ask Bennett where Miss Schnei- ments of the dead as tribute to the der got the morphine which killed her. future. Army at Camp McKinley, a or bottle in which it had come hav- him wear those clothes before."

the jury with Dr. Pratt, of the Board of Health, had walked from their car-riages through the camp to the corral, they were followed by dozens of sol-diers who whispered of what was to come under their breaths, and in little groups walted outside of the building while the party went in.

The sentry who parades night and day about the quarters in which Bennett had been housed, challenged the newcomers as they mounted the steps of the building. Major Ennis, com-manding the post, who had been sent for from his residence, came up with the key of the door, and it was thrown

The scout lay on his face prone on a mat, an army revolver in his right hand half hidden under his side. The worm had already claimed his own, and only those used to such scenes

Dr. Pratt pointed out a bullet hole in the top of the head. Bennett had ly he lay on his back when he did it and turned over in his agony.

He was all dressed in black, a cutaway coat buttoned up tight. He had planned it all and donned the cere-

Colonel Ennis said, "I never saw

Chillingworth concluded that she had Stetson and high boots were near by,



Frank E. Bennett Who Killed Himself.

was a corpse. All the indicat. h ere not bought it here, but had obtained it and everything was neat in the aparthave been administered to her without

her knowledge. food showing that she had taken the play in all the circumstances sur- of the Post: rounding the case. Other police matters pressed the deputy sheriff hard on Correl and I hope thay won't think Friday and Saturday, and he was kept heard of me for I ment well by all of as Miss Schneider was very popular in icines to his countrymen, although he on his mind however, but Saturday night opium and gambling raids de- Col. Ennis, Comamnding Officer, tained him until the small hours.

He set Sunday afternoon to see Benmessage from Camp McKinley that a find things under coroner's case.

ed with them to the camp.

had been friendly with Scout Ben- "Frank Bennett, the head teamster,"

walking along the street, with the big hat and boots" had been asked Bennett the question, "How was about Christmas gifts for all they gave room."

Clara Schneider poisoned?" and he had any sign of weakness.

Chillingworth put the note in his answered with his soul.

From Major Ennis and others the it was answered with his soul.

I'm going, but think its the longest had been made known by his assistant. mann said she knew nothing except

On the writing table were the fol-

There was more than a hint of foul one, and the other to the commander day afternoon, taking the first news of

Dec. 13, 1900. Good by to all. I never thaught to nett. At 4:30 o'clock came a telephone have to go this way, but a wolling in have to go this way, but a wommon Is my charge man was dead there and that it was a streight and I thank him the Commanding Officer and all the men for thare The deputy sheriff got six men after kindness to me while hear have work- Neumann, "except what I learned drade stables on Kawaiahao lane, met a haif hour's skirmishing and hasten- ed for the Govt. Since 1867 and have always bore a good Reputation as my pa Lieutenant Hancock, the officer of Govt. often and honerably and expect-He talked to the servants and the the day, directed the party to the cor-ed to die facing an enemy of the countral near which Bennett had his room.

Neumann family. It was intimated to "Who's the deed man?" asked Chil. "Who's the dead man?" asked Chil- going but think It's the longest trail ever started on. Good by,

here had eaten all of the pocket and sought to compare it with do of dividing with his little and of dividing with his little Bennett's writing.

He was able to do this secretly, and while he eats it."

He had written, "I don't know where jury learned that Bennett's being dea! I'm going, but think its the longest had been made known by his assistant. Teamster Alexander peeping in at the By the time the deputy sheriff and window shortly after 4 o'clock yester.

day afternoon. The man had not seen Bennett since Thursday, and as was his wont when seeking him in his room he climbed to the window and looked in. The body of the scout on the floor made him give an excited alarm, and after Major Ennis had taken one glance he sent for the police.

Bennett was last seen, it was stated on Thursday evening, December 13, A number of people saw him down town on that night. The soldier who did sentry that night about the corral neither saw nor heard anything out of the way. The note to Major Ennis was dated December 13. The day sentry thought he heard a shot about 9 o'clock Friday morning, but at the time made up his mind that it was the snapping of a board.

On the table beside the notes was

a bundle of clean linen, and Major Ennis said that the soldiers had said that the Chinese laundryman entered the room on Friday and deposited the

Someone had seen him retreating from the building shaking and mumbling as if he had seen a ghost. But the Chinese had not said anything ber, and only the curiosity of Teamster Alexander discovered the frightful ac-

The officers of the camp, while knowing Bennett well had not much insight into his private affairs. He was a quiet man, as Clara Schneider was a quiet woman. Neither gossiped his or her heart or purse to others. probably put the muzzle of the Colt in his mouth and fired upward. Like-the woman's affairs and she his the woman's affairs and she his,

Bennett was a man in whom much confidence was placed by Major Ennis. Years in the army had made him a trusted agent. He came and went when and where he pleased, and if away a day the routine of the corral of which he was master, ran itself

He lived in a room in a long wooden building near the corral alone, and are behind the bars, where they can often sat up all night reading. In- be found when they are wanted. somnia aggravated by neuralgia, made | Wun Ching was the name of the man sleep a stranger to him at frequent in- who is dead.

He never drank intoxicants say his burning. familiars. If he used morphine or other narcotics, it could not be learned. Probably he did as neuralgia and very sick at the time. insomnia are keen provocatives to

Bennett had claimed to be hard up lately. He had borrowed money from one of the officers at the camp. Dep-uty Sheriff Chillingworth says that undoubtedly the scout handled the financial affairs of Miss Schneider. When Chillingworth searched her room he

found the following memorandum, which turned out to be in the handwriting of Bennett: Principle. Interest \$31 00

\$400.00 at 7 pr. ct. for Sep. and Oct.

making 28. pr month. This memorandum had doubtless been given to Miss Schneider by Bennett, her sweetheart. Miss Lemke, the wife of Tailor Lemke, who lives on Punchbowl street, also knows somewoman. Miss Lemke has ten shares of

of adviser in investments. The revolver used by Bennett was a 32-caliber Colt, and had been borrowed by him from one of the army officers. It was on Tuesday or Wednesday that him to his fate. Bennett asked for it on the pretense that he wanted to kill rats.

has the stock, and he acted as a sort

Just the exact day when he got it could not be ascertained last night. revolvers but apparently had not one tery. of his own. So far advanced in decomposition was his corpse that Dr. let wound in his head, but it seemed through his mouth. Five of the six out of doors. dead man's hand.

AT THE NEUMANN HOME.

An Advertiser reporter called last night at the home of Faul Neumann, where the mysterious death of Miss lowing letters, one addressed to no- Clara Schneider occurred last Wedneshearing of Bennett's suicide the resithe household and her death a cause has no license so to do. of sincere grief. Mr. Neumann stated Wun Chung was a man advanced in that he could give no information additional to that which had been given at the inquest of the unfortunate girl, but it was learned that Bennett had several times called upon Miss Schneiall der during the absence of the family.

his calling upon Clara," said Mrs. lic carriage connected with the old Anthrough the servants. Our Japanese gardener told the Japanese housegirl that the cook, meaning Miss Schneider, Reid was driving down Vineyard street had a sweetheart-a big, fine looking about 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon man, with a large hat and a mustache, when, upon reaching Nuuanu street, in a uniform. He pointed Mr. Bennett the horses became frightened at a out one day when he rode by, and said steam roller which had been left there that was the cook's sweetheart, be- for some reason or other. The result The last messages of the scout were cause he had come to see Clara. She was that the animals boilted One might have knocked Chilling- penned in a round scrawl that proved had a picture of him like the one pubworth down with a ti leaf. Death had his nerve. They might have been lished in the paper, hanging up in her the road at this point. Reid was

it was said had been borrowed by Ben- The horses were secured before they He had written, "I don't know where jury learned that Bennett's being deat nett from Miss Schneider, Mrs. Neu-

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FORSAKEN DYING.

Chinese Turn Sick Countryman Out.

AFRAID OF DEATH IN THEIR HOUSE

of the fearful occupant of the cham- | Three Orientals Under Arrest .--Drugs Sold Without License.

> THREE very much frightened Chinese are at the police station. They were arrested last night on suspicion and pending an investi-

ation by the department. These men turned a dying man, according to their own story, out of their house that he might not die in their

house and so bring bad luck to them. The police are of the opinion that there is the possibility of some foul play with the capable assistants he had in the matter and consequently the three men who admitted that they put their countryman out of doors to die

tervals. Though he seldom complained Wun Ching was a resident of Pearl of his illnesses, he had remarked City and he has a brother there who once, "that no one knew how much he makes his living washing and ironing. Wun Ching's occupation was charcoal

The deceased came to Honolulu last Friday and was complaining of feeling

He told his friends in town that he was suffering great pains and that he was going to a friend to secure certain medicine which would be sure to relieve him.

The sick man went to a Chinese on River street about noon yesterday and was there provided with certain medicines. That is, it is alleged that he went to this man on River street and was served with a drug of some description. This point still remains to be proved, although the police are prety sure that such was the case.

After receiving the medicine the dereased went to Iwilei, where he was staying in room No. 2 in the Government laundry.

It seems that three other Chinamen were also staying in the same room. Soon after the sick Chinese returned o the room he became violently sick at his stomach and showed other signs of being very seriously ill.

The three Chinese, who are now in jail, seeing that the charcoal burner was likely to die in their house, immediately hustled him out of doors.

They had the humanity, however, to thing of the finances of the dead procure a blanket and spread it upon the ground in the road that the dying McBryde stock which she was keeping man might not have to lie in the dirt. for Miss Schneider. Rather, Mr. Lemke After they had done this they secured a lantern and placed it at his head, after which they retired to their room and left him to pass away all alone. Wun Ching died, evidently a very few minutes after the three others had left

> Neighbors soon afterwards discovered the body of the Chinese lying in the road and immediately communicated with the police.

Possibly he was intending to send The first supposition was that mursomeone else out of the world with the der had been done and indeed the case, weapon. Bennett was familiar with in many ways, was shrouded in mys-

The police were not long in arriving on the scene. The patrol wagon con-

Pratt had difficulty in locating the bul- veyed the body to the police station. taking along at the same time the three almost certain that he fired the bullet Chinese who had turned the sick man chambers of the revolver were still It was shortly after 5 o'clock yester-

loaded when it was taken from the day evening when the charcoal burner was turned out by the other three. It was probably about 5:30 when the man died.

Doctors Emerson and Pratt held a post-mortem examination in the case at the police station last night. A coroner's jury was impanelled and will meet this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock.

the suicide of Frank Bennett, Upon The Chinese on River street of whom the deceased procured medicine is, it is dents of the place were much agitated, understood, in the habit of selling med-

years and sparely built.

Steam Roller Causes Accident. John Reid, well known by all the old-

"I knew nothing about him, or of timers in Honolulu, who drives a pubwith a very painful accident yesterday. thrown violently to the ground and When asked about the money which badly bruised and cut about the head. broke away from the rig. Reid was removed to the hospital in the patrol wagon, where he is now in a somewhat serious condition.

Ris Idea of Justice